

NEWS SUMMARY.

The president has appointed Eran L. Hargreave of Colorado, consul at Tunis.

The transport, *Uran*, arrived at Manila with the troops in good condition.

The deaths in Havana for February, 1900, are 81 per cent. less than for February, 1898.

Recent advices from Europe, regarding iron trade indicate that the latest trouble there is the scarcity of furnace coke.

Rev. T. H. Barnes, a temperance evangelist, has mysteriously disappeared from Vincennes, Ind., and foul play is suspected.

The personnel of the British navy for the coming year is to be increased by 4,300 men, totaling 110,010, at a cost of \$7,474,000.

Frank N. Sheldon, on trial for the second time for the murder of his wife, Eva M. Sheldon, at Auburn, N. Y., committed suicide in the jail.

In the battle that ended the revolution in Ecuador, 900 were killed and several hundred mortally wounded, and also 400 prisoners taken.

Tacoma citizens, indignant at the many recent robberies and hold-ups, held a public meeting and decided to form a vigilance committee.

China is about to send a commercial mission to the European and American trade centers with a view to the promotion of Chinese commerce.

The international conference upon the Punta de Arenas question has held its last session without arriving at an understanding of the matter.

President McKinley intends to carry out the provisions of the river and harbor appropriation act regarding the Isthmian canal as promptly as possible.

Under the naval appropriation bill the bureau of equipment is authorized to expend \$400,000 for coaling stations at different points where they may be desired.

There is grave danger of an armed collision between the American and Canadian miners in the Porcupine river region over the Alaskan boundary question.

When the sewer system of the city of Mexico is completed, it is prophesied that the city will have a lower death rate than any other city of its size in the world.

Spain now requires General Rios to occupy the Cañiles, Marianne and Pelaez islands before handing them over to Germany, which is apparently the purchaser.

Severe fighting has taken place between the Turkish troops and the Arab tribesmen near Khaili, in the province of Pemba, Arabia, where an insurrection is in progress.

The government has revoked the order canceling the charter of the transport City of Puebla, and the vessel will be fitted out for another trip from San Francisco to the Philippines.

According to a dispatch to the London Times from New York, N. W., no fewer than 300 persons perished in the hurricane that has just swept the northeast coast of Queensland.

The National American Boy association, whose object was to secure funds to build a battleship, may ask an accounting of the funds raised by Franklin Good of Cincinnati, promoter of the scheme.

In view of the recommendation of mercy by the jury, Judge Gregory, at Albany, N. Y., has suspended sentence on Mrs. O'Connell, found guilty at attempting to blackmail the heirs of the late Jay Gould.

In Omaha Thomas O'Neil, a Council Bluffs banker, lost a roll of bills in the street. The roll contained \$500, which he had just drawn from the First National bank. It slipped through a hole in his pocket.

The tour of the Tenth Immunes through South Carolina was marred by drunken rioting and shooting at people, houses and cattle along the railroad. At Henderson several persons were wounded.

The administration is contemplating a change in some features of the government of Cuba. It is probable that the military government, except the head, will to a certain extent be replaced by civil government.

The report that it is the intention of Great Britain, in view of future complications which may arise out of the Eastern question, to make England one of the strongest stations in her majesty's possessions is denied.

The London Telegraph expresses intense satisfaction at the unwelcome news of a review of American troops at La Valletta, island of Malta, on Thursday by Lieutenant-General Sir Francis Grenfell, governor of Malta.

The imports into the Hawaiian Islands for the first nine months of 1900 were \$6,960,500, against \$6,940,127 for the same period in 1897. The revenue for the year from import duties and port charges is said to be over \$800,000.

A soldier named Williams of Kansas City was stabbed to death by a comrade named George Ray, while on a train en route home. Both are privates. Williams was known as the "bully of the Twenty-third Kansas regiment."

NORTHWEST NOTES.

The fire in the No. 1 mine at Ida, Montville, Wyo., is now under control, and the hauling of coal will soon be resumed.

The governor of Montana has vetoed the bill permitting physicians to practice pharmacy in that state without examination.

During the recent snow blockades a number of telegraph lines were broken near Laramie by the snow thrown by rotary plows.

The losses to sheep in the vicinity of Casper, Wyo., are much less than reported last week. The loss is only about 10 per cent.

Two miners, Edward Chase and William Sisson, were killed in the Three-Star mine at Auburn, Cal., by the explosion of a missed shot.

A passenger train on the Cheyenne & Northern, containing forty-two passengers, was snow-bound for over two weeks near Mountain, Wyo.

A fire at Denver destroyed the Hungarian elevators, rendering valueless 200,000 bushels of wheat stored there. The loss is estimated at about \$180,000.

The secretary of the interior has approved for patent to the state of Wyoming a list of lands selected under the grant to aid the State Agricultural college, embracing 22,415 acres in the Buffalo district.

Governor Smith has vetoed the bill passed by the Montana legislature permitting twenty-round glove contests.

In his veto message he says: "This law would be an advertisement to our state that would do us no good."

There is a strong belief in Nevada that the Carson & Colorado will soon be extended as far as Laramie. It would open up a country which contains vast quantities of low-grade shipping ore, which cannot be handled profitably under existing conditions. It would mean the employment of a great number of men, with all the attendant benefits.

Cheyenne is experiencing a building boom. Old mansions which were built and occupied by cattle barons in early days are being remodelled and made into two and three tenement houses. Many new houses are also going up. The unusual activity in building is caused by the increased forces in the Union Pacific shops.

The purchase by the reorganization committee of the Union Pacific Railroad company of the company lands sold in Wyoming under foreclosure of mortgage last week will prove beneficial to all of the counties along the line of the road, as upwards of \$80,000 of unpaid taxes is due the various counties upon these lands.

Communication has been established with Charles Reuss and Bert Frenn, imprisoned in the Bon Air mine at Leadville, through the caving of the shaft, by ripping asunder the water-pipe by a charge of dynamite lowered to the proper depth. Provisions were lowered through the pipe. A new shaft will have to be sunk seventy-five feet before the men can be reached.

A Denver & Rio Grande engine blew up at the crossing of the Rio Grande and Santa Fe tracks south of Denver, March 10, injuring one man fatally and two seriously. Engineer White and Fireman Harvey Payne were badly scalded. The head brakeman was seriously hurt. The engine was pulling a stock train and the explosion was caused by the fire.

One of the worst storms of the season raged in Cheyenne and vicinity March 9. Stockmen say this blizzard following the extremely severe weather of the past six weeks, will undoubtedly cause heavy losses in cattle and sheep. For range stock some estimate the loss as high as 50 per cent, but with stock-growers who still have hay to feed and shelter for their herds the loss will not exceed 10 per cent.

Very heavy losses are reported in bands of sheep ranging in the vicinity of Lusk. The various sheep camps are snowed in at low points where the sheep were gathered and held for protection. The herders are short of rations and in many cases have been obliged to abandon the herds to reach the settlement. Losses in that part of Wyoming are estimated at from 30 to 50 per cent.

Ed Dugan of Phoenix, Ariz., who shot a man some time ago, was captured by Billy Moore, deputy sheriff of Phoenix, one day last week, but while arresting him shots were exchanged, in which Dugan received a wound in the leg, which may cause his amputation. Kid Dugan is only 19 years old, and was born on a ranch in the Tonto basin, but was shipped in his career as an outlaw by being captured in this, his first attempt.

Three men were badly scalded by the breaking in two of a rotary snow plow at Cedar Creek, twenty-two miles east of Laramie. One of the men, A. J. Stover, was terribly burned about the face and his injuries will probably prove fatal.

Owing to the rapid increase of traffic on the Wyoming division of the Union Pacific, telegraph stations have been established at Harper's, Willow and Cooper's Lake. Cooper's Lake is a new office, but operators worked at Harper's and Willow many years ago.

MINING NOTES.

A strike of an eight-inch vein of ore, sheathed with gold, is reported from Redding, Shasta county, California.

The Uncle Sam and the Hounding in Payson Canyon, will be vigorously worked during the season, and some good shipments are expected.

The Colorado river is a perfect storehouse of gold and it looks as if this section would witness another stampede before the season is much further advanced.

Mineral, Idaho, is taking on a lively air as the smelter started Wednesday morning with a force of fifty men, while ten six-horse teams are kept busy hauling coke for the smelter.

The gasoline hoist for the Fremont mine at Diamond has been received at Silver City, and will soon be hauled to the mine and put in place and in operation. The hoist house is all ready for the paint.

The Carbonate Hill mine, a new Morgan county business, was in the market last week with shipment, and it is promised that the mine will make an excellent record this summer as a regular and heavy shipper.

The Sedalia copper mine, one of the richest copper mines in the United States, located about two miles and a half from Sedalia, Colo., was sold on March 8th to Boston and New York parties for a consideration of \$60,000.

While cleaning out and putting in shape for future operation a shaft on the property of the South Sanborn Mining company at Silver City, that was abandoned twenty-three years ago, the management has encountered native copper, and further developments "promise most sensational disclosures."

The largest shipment of silver bullion ever made out of Anaconda was sent east last week over the Great Northern express by the Anaconda Copper Mining company. There were ninety-one bars of the white metal, valued at \$80,000 or thereabouts. It took two large drays to haul it from the works to the depot where it was loaded on cars.

A sheriff's deed, conveying the Oak-crite claims of the Osmore Mining company, situated near P. V. Junction, to R. J. Kropp, the Prospector, was filed for record last week. The property was bought by Mr. Kropp at sheriff's sale six months ago for \$2,500, on a judgment against the company in favor of Mr. Kropp. Mr. Kropp used the company for services as superintendent of the mines.

Robert C. Gennett, M. E. and C. E., the governor's appointee for the important position of state engineer, is one of the best known mining engineers in Utah and Nevada, as he has been the chief of Captain J. R. De Lamar's staff for a number of years, and has done the surveying necessitated in the development of the De Lamar and Golden Gate mines, two of the greatest gold producers in this inter-mountain region.

There is an awakening of interest in mining in the southern part of the state and Iron county, with its very promising mineral resources, is now receiving more attention at the hands of mining men and investors than ever before, copper and gold being the metal most sought for, although there are some very fine lead properties at different points, which will undoubtedly be more extensively explored and developed in the near future.

At the Stickle mine in Calaveras county, Cal., two miners, named Oris Bronzich and Joseph Raggio, had charged a series of holes and were splitting the fuse when one of the blasts went off prematurely, knocking both down. Bronzich lay unconscious with his leg broken, and Raggio lay but a few seconds before the other blast would go off, but Raggio stopped to rescue his senseless companion. Though with one arm disabled, he managed to drag the prostrate man into a drift, where they were safe.

Some fine samples of gold quartz are being displayed by a Butte miner, taken from his claims on Snake river, in Hingham county, Idaho. The mine from whence it came is ninety miles from the Oregon Short Line, but is very rich. Native gold can be seen in the rock with the naked eye. The lead at the crappings was two feet wide, and he spread out as deep was gained in the workings, which is through a shaft now down fifty feet. The owners are spending all their money on the developing of several claims which promise good returns some day.

Quite an excitement has struck Price and vicinity over the recent copper discoveries east of there and in the Cedar mountains southeast. It is only about seventy-five miles from Price to the new diggings, and outfits are leaving for that part of the country, and others bringing in samples about every day. From samples brought here within the past few days it looks as if a year's time will show that eastern Utah can vie successfully with the Merrick district on the copper proposition.

TEMPLE AND TABERNACLE.

At the commencement of the year, Gate Valley had 180 missionaries out in the field.

The largest Sunday school in the church is that at Lodi, Utah County, with an enrollment of 1,527 officers, teachers and scholars; the next is that at St. George, which number 767; East Bountiful, Cedar City and Pleasant Grove have all more than 600 attendants.

The annual general conference of the church will commence on Thursday, April 6th, and close on Sunday, April 9th. Saturday will be devoted to priesthood meetings. On Sunday evening the semi-annual meeting of the Deseret Sunday School Union will be held.

Elders Wood, Jeppson and Quinney, of the human mission, left there on January 11, visited three islands of the Friendly group, thence proceeded to New Zealand, where they attended the conference at Kiriakiri. They left for Sydney on February 13. On February 14, they expect to leave Australia for home, traveling by way of Wellington, Fiji, Honolulu and Vancouver.

The quarterly conference of the Salt Lake stake of Zion was opened in the tabernacle at 10 a. m., Sunday, March 11. Prayer was offered by William H. Preston, followed by the reading of the minutes of the last priesthood meeting. Thirty-five teachers and priests were sustained and promoted to elders.

Elder Claudius V. Spencer delivered a few remarks, during the course of which he deplored a lack of fidelity among many Latter-day Saints, in an unbecomingly contemptuous condition of the church in the old days.

President Andrew M. Cannon delivered a discourse, taking up the sinister influence of scandal-mongers, who, he said, were the worst people in the world. He spoke of the existence of backbiters, and warned the people to be careful of them.

Counselor Joseph E. Taylor spoke of the peace and harmony among the high priests, and said that the general condition of the church is satisfactory, although there are many things which they wished could be otherwise.

The benediction was pronounced by N. V. Jones.

A very large congregation attended the afternoon session, which was opened at 2 o'clock with selections by the choir, followed with prayer by Apostle Golden Kimball.

Elder C. W. Penrose presented the authorities of the church, all of whom were sustained. A list of home missionaries was presented and sustained.

The following statistical report of the Salt Lake stake for the year was received and ordered read: Membership of first presidency, 31 apostles, 61 patriarchs, 14; high priests, 331; teachers, 1,415; elders, 2,587; priests, 320; deacons, 605; deacons, 2,301; members, 29,241; children under 8, 3,274; total 38,550.

Elder Penrose said that harmony existed throughout the stake and that the church is stronger than ever before. He said most of the Latter-day Saints are good, some are not so good, and a few are bad. He lifted a warning voice against the allurements of the city, which are leading some astray.

President Joseph E. Smith delivered the discourse of the afternoon, opening with a reference to his recent trip to the Sandwich Islands, the scene of his first missionary labors. The work in the islands was never before in a better condition. In speaking of the traits of the natives, he said they were very steadfast in clinging to the church and that they exhibited a remarkable familiarity with the Bible.

Referring to home missionary work, the apostle said that some had been dropped from the list of home missionaries, as they had not been faithful, but that they should not feel hurt, as they are only temporarily discharged. The change had been made so that all would have the experience of the work. Selections were read from the book of Doctrine and Covenants, showing that the people must put God first in order to qualify them to be apostles of Jesus Christ and faithful members of the church. Every member should enter into a covenant to honor God and love his neighbor as himself. Truth should be placed above all things. Obedience to the laws of God is truth. You must forgive your neighbor who transgresses against you, even three times. How majestic and powerful we would be if we obeyed these laws, how despicable and mean we must appear in the eyes of God when we put on the countenance of the world. We cannot afford to quarrel and be angered; we must be reconciled with our brother. The man with this spirit will never be found in a saloon and among corrupt men, but he will choose to associate with the pure and honorable.

Elder Richard T. Haag, instructor at the Weber Stake academy, expects to leave about April 15th for Germany, where he will act as translator, etc., at the church office at Hamburg.

In six-sevenths of the states of Zion more than ninety percent of the children of the saints attend the church Sunday schools. In Hancock, Juarez, Kansas, Omaha, San Juan, Shoshone, Star Valley, and Wagon, all the children may be said to belong to the Sunday school, the percentage of unchurched children being an exceedingly small.

MARKET REPORT.

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